

West Brandywine Grange
4008 Concord Pike
Wilmington Vicinity
New Castle County
Delaware

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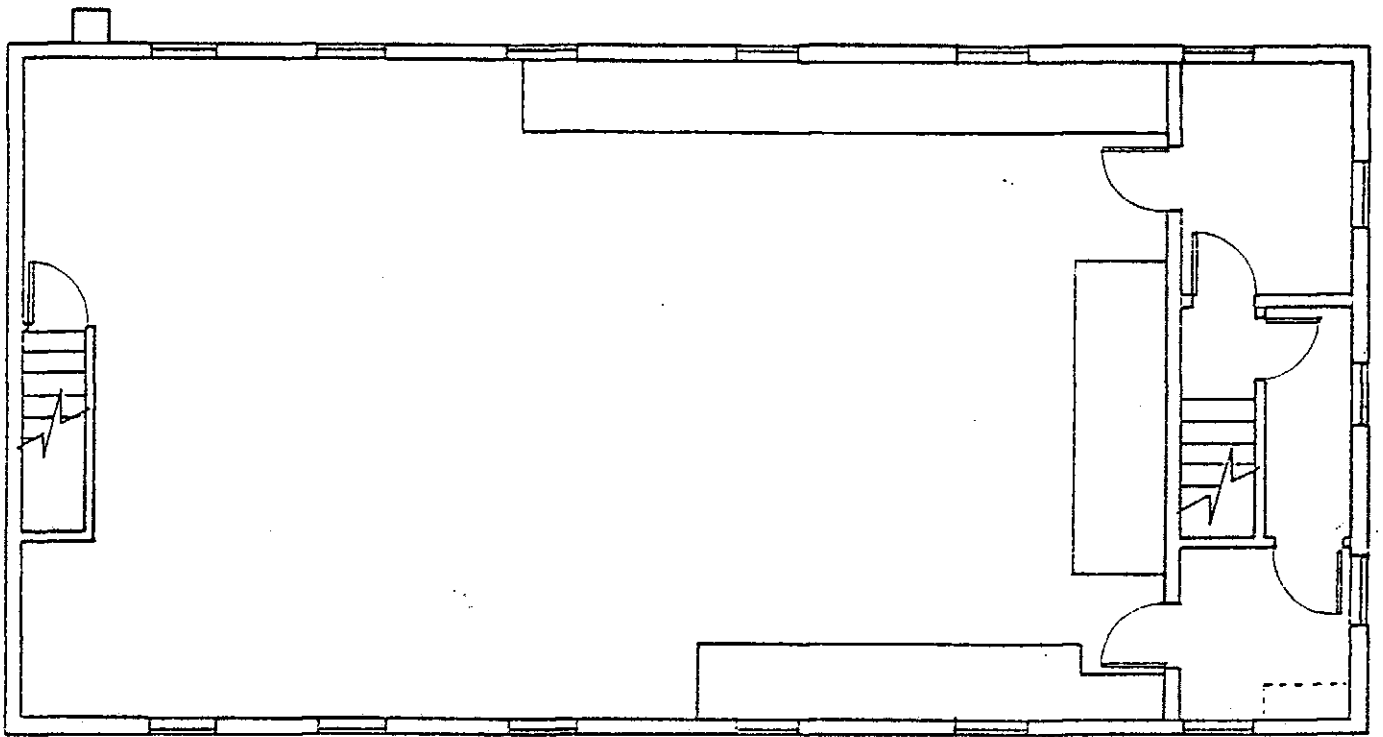
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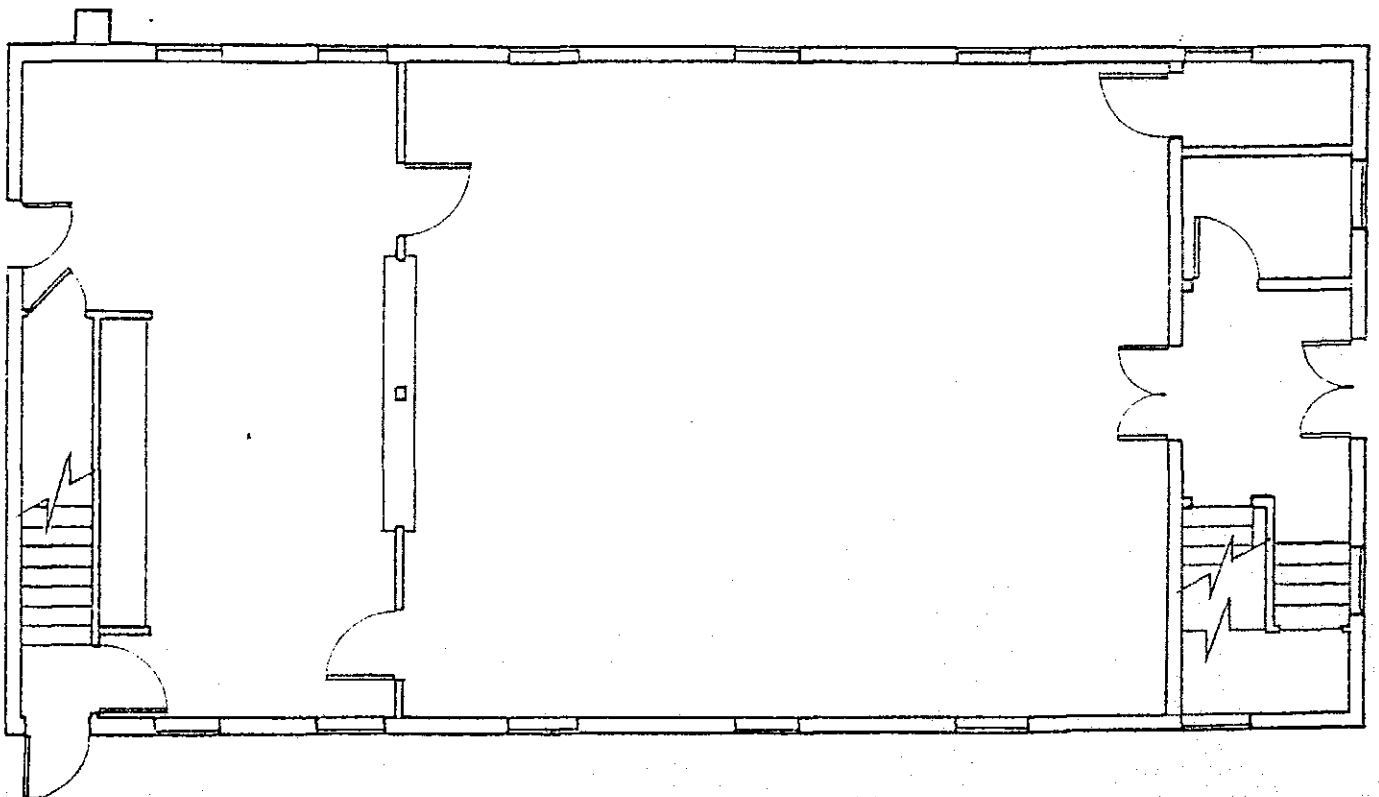
ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Delaware	COUNTY New Castle County	TOWN OR VICINITY Wilmington vicinity UTM 18.4406940.452310
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) West Brandywine Grange (Grange Hall sign)		HABS NO. DE-236
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 4008 Concord Pike, Wilmington, Delaware		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1886 (Cultural Resource Survey data, BAHP, Dover, De.)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The West Brandywine Grange survives as a largely unaltered agricultural meeting hall built in the last quarter of the 19th century. The area of northern New Castle County served by the Grange was characterized in the 1800s as a small		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)	farm (less than a mean 150 acres) dairy region.	
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Balloon frame walling covered with milled weatherboard; common rafter roof with underframing for vaulted ceiling.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 56'8" x 28'7"; gable front. See scaled sketch plans.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Overall the building is relatively plain. The primary remarkable exterior features are the late 'Gothic' window in the upper gable front, the bracketed-trim hipped-roof porch, and the late Italianate entry.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) First floor: vestibule entry opening into ground floor meeting hall with a kitchen at the rear end of the building. Stairs located in the vestibule and behind kitchen. Second floor: lecture hall with low stage and small front rooms.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Early to mid 20th century: original milled weatherboard recovered with asbestos shingle; interior repainted over possibly original wallpapers; original grained windsor-style benches removed and sold at auction (One in possession of Historical Society of Delaware).		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Vacant. Excellent condition. Demolition permit applied for.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Cultural Resource Survey, Bureau of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Dover, De. New Castle County Planning Office, Historic Preservation Office.		
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West Brandywine Grange: Floor Plans. A. First floor; B. Second floor.

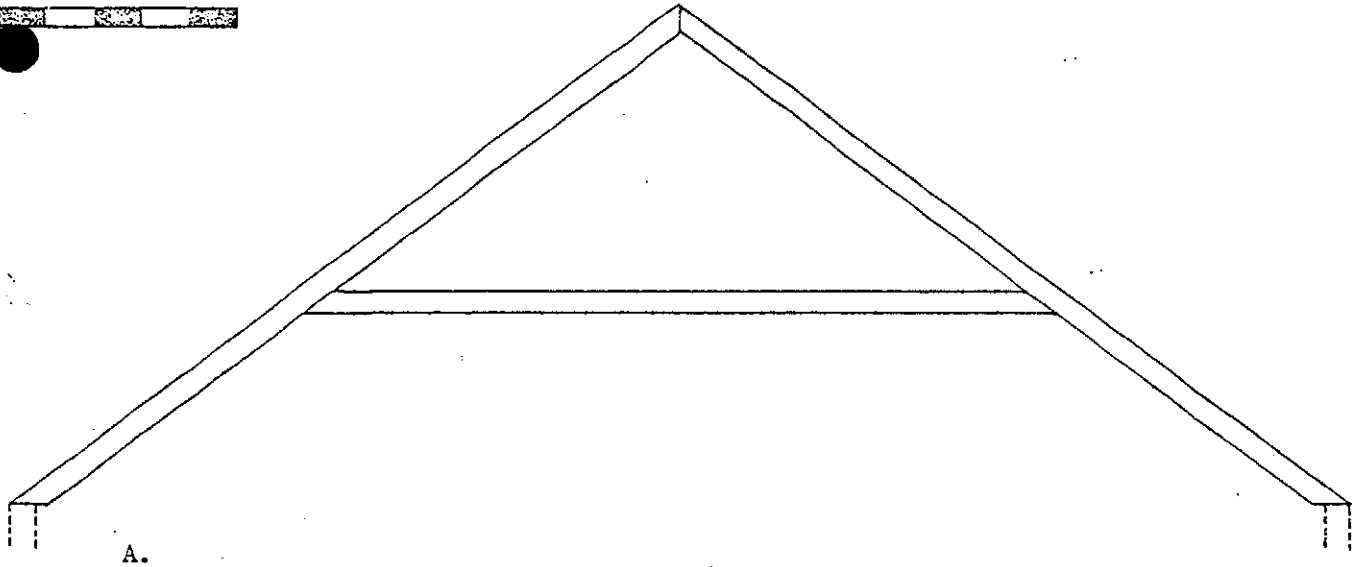
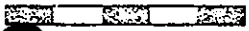


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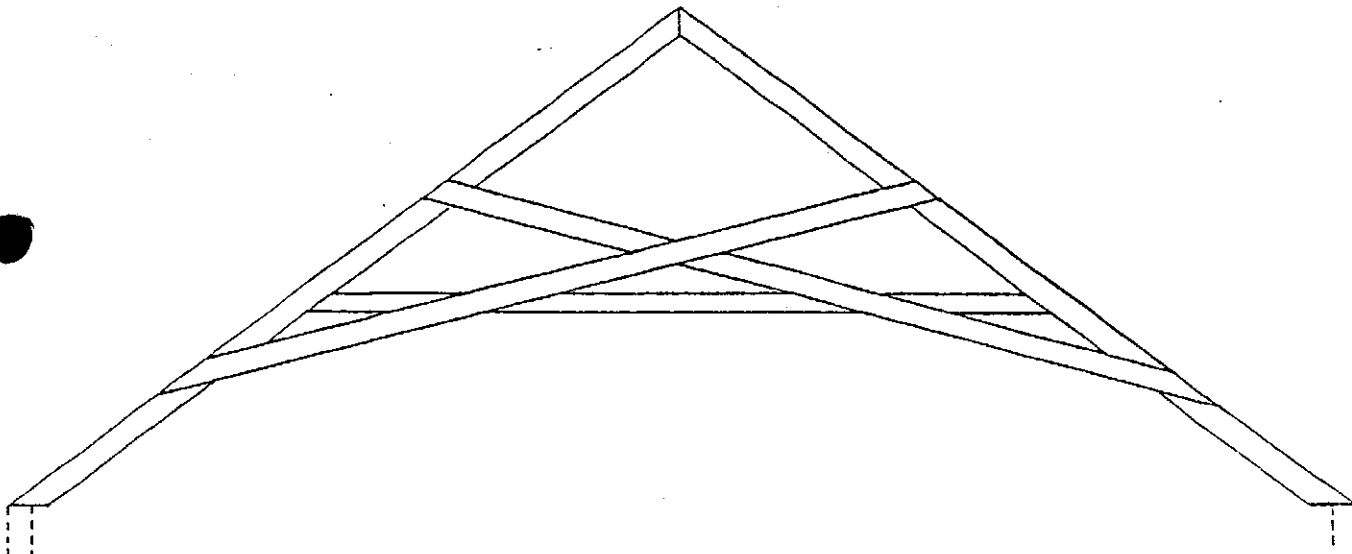


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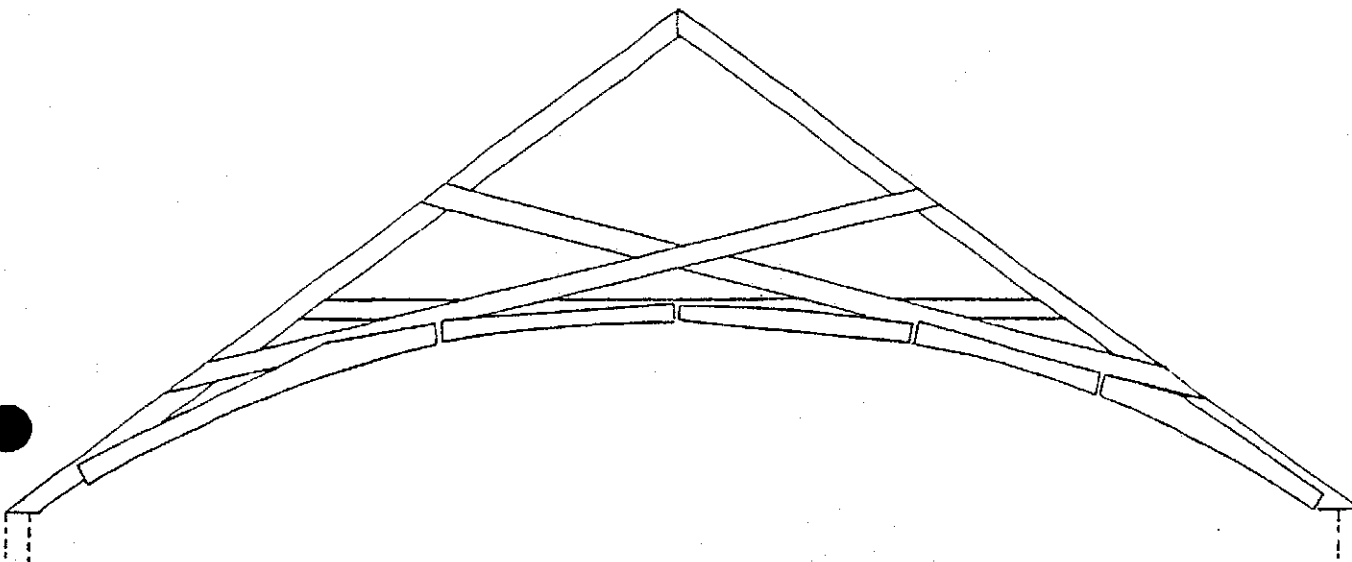
West Brandywine Grange: Roof Construction. A. Common rafter system; B. Rafters with cross bracing; C. Rafters and bracing with ceiling forms.



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